

MENOMONIE TOURISM COMMISSION

February 2, 2012 – Meeting Minutes City Council Chambers

MEMBERS PRESENT: Theelke, Wagner, Bhatnagar & Ostenso

OTHERS PRESENT: Higley, Montgomery, Friedenfels, Barnett & Prange

MINUTES: A motion was made by Theelke, seconded by Wagner to approve

the January 12, 2012 meeting minutes.

TREASURER'S REPORT: None

City Attorney Higley compared the State's model ordinance with the current city room tax regulations that his office had been requested to use to replace the existing city ordinance. He also explained the current room tax distribution methodology and how it was initiated under different State statutes. The Secretary presented information relating to possible changes in the room tax reporting process introduced in the State legislature. After some discussion, the consensus of the Commission was to withhold any further ordinance changes other than a possible rate increase. At that time a motion was made by Theelke, seconded by Bhatnagar to request City Council approval of a room rate tax increase to 7% effective April 1, 2012. Motion carried.

The next meeting of the Menomonie Tourism Commission will be at 9:00 AM April 12, 2012.

A motion was made by Theelke and seconded by Bhatnagar to adjourn. Motion carried.

Recording Secretary

Lowell Prange